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SAN JOSE FORJOHN O'GRADY (ARA)

E.O. 11652: NA
TAGS: ELAB, PGOV, SHUM, ES
SUBJ: TELEGRAM FROM GEORGE MEANY TO PRESIDENT ROMERO

1. EMBASSY RECEIVED FOLLOWING TELEGRAM VIA COMMERCIAL CHANNELS ADDRESSED TO AMBASSADOR INFORMING HIM OF TELEGRAM SENT SAMEDAY (JULY 7 BUT RECEIVED JULY 10) DIRECTLY FROM GEORGE MEANY TO PRESIDENT ROMERO. COMPLETE TEXT AS FOLLOWS: QUOTE. THE FOLLOWING CABLE WAS SENT TODAY TO PRESIDENT CARLOS HUMBERTO ROMERO: LA AFL-CIO EN REPRESENTACION DE SUS 14 MILLONES DE TRABAJADORES LIBRES Y DEMOCRATICOS EN LOS ESTADOS UNIDOS ESTA SUMAMENTE PREOCUPADA POR LA NEGACION DE CREDITOS Y ASISTENCIA TECNICA Y OTRAS MEDIDAS DE REPRESION TOMADAS POR SU GOBIERNO EN CONTRA DE LOS TRABAJADORES RURALES AFILIADOS A LA UNION COMUNAL SALVADORENA. A PESAR DE REPRESENTACIONES ANTE LA EMBAJADA DE SU PAIS EN WASHINGTON Y DE NUESTROS PERSONEROS CON MIEMBROS DE SU GABINETE NO SE NOS HA PERMITIDO EXTENDER AYUDA FINANCIERA Y ASISTENCIA TECNICA A LA UNION COMUNAL SALVADORENA TAL COMO ESA ORGANIZACION EN REPETIDAS OPORTUNIDADES Y A TRAVES DE PETICION FORMAL SUSCRITA POR TODOS LOS MIEMBROS DE SU COMITE EJECUTIVO HA PLANTEADO ANTE NOSOTROS DURANTE LOS ULTIMOS CUATRO

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ANOS. A PETICION DEL COMITE EJECUTIVO DE LA UNION COMUNAL SALVADORENA ESTOY ENVIANDO UNA DELEGACION OFICIAL DE INVESTIGACION A SU PAIS CONSISTENTE EN ANDREW MCLELLAN REPRESENTANTE INTERAMERICANO DE LA AFL-CIO, SAMUEL HADDAD DIRECTOR ADJUNTO DEL INSTITUTO AMERICANO PARA EL DESARROLLO DEL SINDICALISMO LIBRE, MICHAEL HAMMER DIRECTOR DE ASUNTOS AGRARIOS

Y RICHARD OULAHAN REPRESENTANTE. LA LLEGADA DE NUESTRA DEL-
EGACION A SAN SALVADOR ESTA PREVISTA PARA EL 17 DE JULIO Y
LA MISMA PERMANECERA ALLI DURANTE DOS O TRES DIAS DURANTE
LOS CUALES APRECIARIAMOS SU GENTILEZA EL CONCEDERLE UNA
AUDIENCIA PARA BUSCAR MEDIOS DE REMEDIAR ESTA CRITICA
SITUACION ANTES DE SER CONSIDERADA QUALQUIER ACCION POSTERIOR.
ATENTAMENTE. GEORGE MEANY, PREIDENTE, AFL-
CIO. UNQUOTE.

2. SITUATION WHICH BROUGHT ABOUT THIS MESSAGE IS DESCRIBED
IN SAN SALVADOR 3310 AND OTHER EMBASSY MESSAGES. EMBASSY
IS SYMPATHETIC TO AFL-CIO AND AFLD CONCERN OVER DEVELOPMENTS
AND BELIEVES DISCUSSIONS WITH GOES OFFICIALS SHOULD HELP
CLEAR THE AIR. WE RECOMMEND THAT AFL-CIO GROUP SHOULD ALSO
PLAN TO TRY TO SEE MINISTER OF LABOR AND ROGELIO CHAVEZ
(CHIEF JUSTICE OF SUPREME COURT AND EX-MINISTER OF LABOR)
AND POSSIBLY VICE-PRESIDENT SINCE PRESIDENT ROMERO'S REACTION
TO MEANY MESSAGE, IN VIEW OF HOW HE IS LIKELY TO REGARD
ITS TONE AND APPROACH, MAY RESULT IN HIS UNAVAILABILITY.
EMBASSY WISHES TO BE HELPFUL IN THIS SITUATION AND WILL
APPRECIATE DEPARTMENT GUIDANCE AS WELL AS ANY FURTHER IN-
FORMATION ON THE VISIT.

3. DEPARTMENT WILL NOTE THAT AFL-CIO MISSION VISIT WILL
OVERLAP WITH PLANNED VISIT OF ARA LABOR ADVISOR JOHN O'
GRADY. DCM LUBENSKY PLANNING RECEPTION ON OCCASION THE VISITS
WITH LABOR OFFICIALS AND LEADERS ON P.M. JULY 18, AND WOULD
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APPRECIATE DEPARTMENT INFORMING MCLELLAN AND GROUP
OF INVITATION TO THEM.
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